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Sir:

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF

NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION, dated January 24, 2002, Applicant has filed herewith a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney form in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63. As required, a check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed to cover the surcharge fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application is attached to this response, as required.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of the document is attached for that purpose.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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